Erection of sheds at the Trivandrum Pier.

290. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Will the Government be pleased to state what progress has been made in regard to the erection of sheds at the Trivandrum pier ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The Member is referred to the answer given to interpellation No. 150 at the meeting of the Council held on the 7th November 1925. Since then, all the materials have been collected at the spot, except iron ridge roofing. One of the three sheds has almost been completed, except roofing, and another has been partly erected. The work is reported to be making good progress.

Expenditure incurred without the permission of the Council or approval of the Finance Committee.

291. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a complete list showing the various items of expenditure incurred by the Government without the approval either of the Finance Committee or of the Legislative Council since the last Tulam meeting of the Council ?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*) : A statement of expenditure authorised under Section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097, was laid on the table on the 19th April 1926.

MR. K. P NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : May I know whether the statement that was laid on the table of this House includes the expenditure incurred under items not subject to the vote of this House ?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*) : No question or discussion can be put or held on the statement laid on the table.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : I am not discussing or giving an opinion about the statement. I ask whether that statement includes the various items of expenditure which are not subject to the vote of this House.

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*) : It does not include. It relates to the expenditure incurred by Government under Section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Does the Member think that my question is not comprehensive enough to include other items which are not subject to the vote of the House.

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*) : I don't understand the present question.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chiryinkil*) : Coming back to the question, may I know whether the statement includes any other items which are not subject to the vote of the House ?

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MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): The heading of the statement will show that it relates to expenditure under Section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): That I can understand. I want to know whether there are any other items of expenditure which are not subject to the vote of the House, already incurred?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): Expenses under non-votable items has been incurred.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether those items of expenditure are included in the statement?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): They are not included and they cannot be included.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will this House be given an opportunity to know those items of expenditure?

PRESIDENT: The House is not entitled to information on non-votable items of expenditure.

Committee on Education.

292. MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state if they are considering the immediate need for having a committee of enquiry to go into the whole question of Education in the State?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Member is referred to paragraph 26 of the Dewan's Address to the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly on the 22nd February 1926.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): May I know from the President—I am rising to a point of order—whether any reference can be made in the answers to reports and statements which have not been supplied to us.

PRESIDENT: You are not entitled to refer to a matter that is not before this House.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I am referring to a document mentioned in the answer, which has not been supplied to me as a Member of the Council.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): He refers to the Assembly address mentioned in the answer.

PRESIDENT: A copy of the address will be made available to the Member.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): We are supplied with the answers 15 minutes earlier, during which time it is absolutely impossible for us to be prepared with supplementary questions.

PRESIDENT: That is our rule.

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